



24 May 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. William E. Colby  
Deputy Director for Operations

SUBJECT : [REDACTED]

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1. Attached hereto are two external (and spontaneous) letters of commendation for the work in two different, important areas done by my deputy [REDACTED]

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a. The first is a note to [REDACTED] from Ambassador William Sullivan, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs. It was sent last March and commends

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[REDACTED] for what he has achieved or caused to be achieved in his capacity as [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Mr. Sullivan has told me privately several times since then how much he and the Department have valued Mr.

[REDACTED] work. Mr. Sullivan has also told me he expects in the near future to be able to produce a Presidential commendation for

[REDACTED] outstanding contributions to the U.S. Government's [REDACTED] efforts.

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b. The other note, dated 21 May, was sent to [REDACTED] via the Director from Rear Admiral Donald Whitmire who is the

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chairman of the Prisoner of War Intelligence Task Force in the Department of Defense. As you are probably aware, [ ] is the senior Agency referent and the Director's representative to the Defense Department on prisoner matters. He has discharged these responsibilities with considerable distinction, orchestrating Agency support (of all kinds) to the Defense Department on POW matters and, at the same time, helping the Defense Department get itself internally organized to deal more efficiently with this important topic. In the process he has won many friends in DOD for himself and for the Agency.

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2. I am sending copies of this note and its attachments to [ ] Mr. Shackley and the Director of Personnel. I would appreciate your ensuring that a copy is placed in [ ] permanent personnel file.

3. If such action would not be considered inappropriate, I would also appreciate your ensuring that a copy of this note with its attachments is conveyed to the panel which I understand is now engaged in reviewing all DDO GS-15's, some of whom it will recommend for promotion to GS-16. I believe these documents would be germane and useful to the panel in its evaluation of [ ] and its competitive ranking of him against his peers.

[ ]  
George A. Carver, Jr.

Special Assistant for Vietnamese Affairs

Attachments

cc:

Mr. Shackley



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

March 8, 1973

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[Redacted]  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Jack:

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Thank you for your memorandum of 27 February commending [Redacted] for his work [Redacted]. I will send a copy of the memorandum to him and see to it that a copy is put in his personal files.

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At the same time I am undertaking with the White House to attempt to obtain a Presidential commendation for the group as a whole. It seems to me that the operation was a classic example of a rapidly improvised and effective mechanism established with the least fuss and feathers, but getting truly to the heart of the problem.

In this sense, I have neglected because of travel and other preoccupations, to express my own thanks to you and through you to all the members of the group who functioned so well and so harmoniously under your chairmanship. Congratulations on a job well done.

Sincerely,

William H. Sullivan  
Deputy Assistant Secretary for  
East Asian and Pacific Affairs